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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PBOR, CG

SUBJ: LOS: VISIT OF LOS TEAM TO AFRICA

REF: STATE 53204

1. EMBASSY HAS OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED DEPTFONAF OF PROJECTED VISIT AND ITS PURPOSE. EMBOFF HAS ALSO DISCUSSED VISIT WITH LOS EXPERT LUKABU KABOUJI IN DEPTFONAFF'S LEGAL DIVISION. LUKABU IS REASONABLY CERTAIN HE WILL BE IN KINSHASA IN PERIOD MAY 13-24.

2. IN PLANNING FOR KINSHASA VISIT, FOLLOWING SHOULD BE KEPT IN MIND. THE ONLY GOZ EXPERTS ON LOS ARE LUKABU AND KALONDJI SHIKALA. FURTHERMORE, SINCE HE BECAME DEPTFONAFF'S DIRECTO FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, KALONDJI HAS BEEN INCREASINGLY HARD TO MEET. (FOR EXAMPLE, HE HAS BEEN AWAY ON DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS FOR MOST OF THE PAST TWO MONTHS AND IS CURRENTLY ATTENDING ALGIERS NAC MEETING.) WHEN HE IS IN KINSHASA HE IS OVERWHELMED WITH DIPLOMATIC CALLERS. AT SAME TIME HE CONTINUES TO FOLLOW LOS MATTERS CLOSELY AND PLANS TO GO TO CARACAS

3. CONSEQUENTLY, IN ORDER TO PRESERVE SOME KIND OF BALANCE OUR LOS
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TEAM HERE SHOULD BE SMALL (PERHAPS TWO OR THREE). IT SHOULD

BE BRACED FOR THE POSSIBILITY THAT KALONDJI MIGHT SUDDENLY BE CALLED AWAY. AND IT SHOULD PLAN ON EMBASSY BEING ABLE TO ARRANGE NO MORE THAN ONE OR TWO RELATIVELY SHORT MEETINGS WITH KALONDJI PRESENT, AND PERHAPS A TWO OR THREE HOUR BUSINESS LUNCH. THE RELATIVELY LOW RANKING LUKABU, WHO ALSO PLANS TO BE IN CARACAS, WILL BE MORE ACCESSIBLE.

4. WE WILL EXPLORE ISSUES IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO RAISE AFTER LUKABU RETURNS FROM KAMPALA AND NAIROBI LOS MEETINGS.
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